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Tamera Kiger has been named as the new executive director of The Senior Alliance which serves more than 190,000 older adults and their caregivers.

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Westland will begin the fifth year of the "Buddy Up" program at city hall where Buddy Shuh, a former contestant on The Biggest Loser, will speak about the program.

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Fireworks celebration could be cancelled

Don Howard
Staff Writer

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise is weighing the benefits of the 4th of July picnic and fireworks display, a long tradition in the township.

Heise told members of the board of trustees at their regular meeting last week that he felt the elaborate event including the picnic, fireworks and a private VIP party "is not the proper role of government." He said the past administration spent an enormous amount of man-hours on the event.

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"It's expensive and burdensome, taxing on manpower and causes unnecessary overtime," Heise said of the event.

Neither the picnic, the fireworks or the VIP party generated revenue for the township.

Former Treasurer Ron Edwards spearheaded and organized the celebration which included a public fireworks display and picnic along with a far more upscale invitation-only celebration open only to those who donated or contributed to funding the event and his other invited guests.

Edwards would send solicitation letters requesting donation checks made payable to Plymouth Township, suggesting that the contributions were public funds. In reality, the VIP party was a private function hosted by Edwards and restricted to about 700 invited-only guests at Hilltop Golf Course. In addition to the contributors and friends the guest list included prominent community officials and political advocates.

Heise, who has long been critical of the VIP party, told board members last week he had already made the decision to discontinue the private VIP event.

Heise indicated that donation solicitations written on

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Ka-ching

Students celebrate improved grades, receive cash reward

Champions of John Glenn students line up to receive their $200 reward checks during a celebration of their success at the Hellenic Center. Photo by David J. Willett

Celebrating with the Wayne Memorial Champions were Sean Galvin, executive director for Champions of Wayne, left, Napier Bryant, Keri Horton, Kayla Powell, Kameron Climie, Hannah Gottman, and Kevin English, director of academics for Champions of Wayne. Photo by Douglas Willett

There are about 300 high school students in the Wayne-Westland area who have some extra spending money this month.

They are among the Champions of both Wayne Memorial and John Glenn high schools where the scholastic rewards program presents students who achieve a .5 increase in their grade point average a check for $200. The students sign a contract agreeing to make the goal, along with their parents and a mentor of their choice. Superintendent of the Wayne Westland Community Schools Michele Harmala is a mentor along with Westland Mayor William Wild and several police officers, teachers and other volunteers in the community.

This year, each school celebrated the accomplishments of the students with a banquet and award presentation Feb. 8. John Glenn students were feted at the Hellenic Center while the students from Wayne Memorial were honored at Wayne Tree Manor.

The Wayne program began in 2009 as an effort to encourage students to achieve higher grades and experience the real benefits of learning. It is funded by Wayne Memorial High School graduate Richard Helppie.

The John Glenn program began in 2015 and is modeled on the Wayne program. It was initiated by Glenn and Patty Shaw, and their family, all graduates of John Glenn was committed funding to the program, also funded by the Westland Community Foundation,

Next semester, more than 1,000 students between the two high schools have signed onto the program which has some incredible success statistics.

According to school officials, 25-33 percent of Champions students make their semester goals. Sixty-five percent of those who sign up increase their grades.

Ninety-five percent of staff members at the schools are mentors, which is strictly a volunteer effort for which they receive no monetary compensation.

Officials said that the state testing scores have increased by 9.8 since the program began at Wayne Memorial and four students in the Champions program have earned the Gates Millennium Scholarship in the past three years at the school.

Next semester, the John Glenn program will change the name from Champions to Scholars to provide the students with a unique identity, according to Shaw.

"The program is more about education and grades, so the new Scholars name seemed appropriate," Glenn said. "We had 98 percent of our students enrolled this year improve their grades. We are just thrilled for all of them."

No public or tax money is used to fund the program at either school, officials stressed.

For more information about the programs, contact Wayne Memorial High School program director Sean Galvin at GalvinS@wwcsd.net or Louis Przybylski, John Glenn High School Scholars program, at PrzybylskiL@wwcsd.net.

Former officials' antics plague new board

Don Howard
Staff Writer

Plymouth Township Clerk Jerry Vorva says that the barrage of Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests his office has received in the last two weeks is part of a scripted political ambush aimed to harass the new administration.

Vorva, who took office Nov. 20, 2016 replacing defeated incumbent Nancy Conzelman, said the purpose of the FOIA is to help people understand the workings of government, not a means of retaliation against a political opponent. He said the multiple requests by Thomas Parelly, a failed candidate for trustee, and Conzelman are at the direction of former Township Supervisor Shannon Price, also defeated by voters last year.

Vorva said that a Feb. 3 email written by Price, addressed to Parelly and Conzelman, was sent to Conzelman's prior official township email, which is now his. The subject line reads, "FOIA." The first line says, "Items to FOIA," and lists eight topics ending with, "Did I miss anything?"

Vorva said because of the official email to the clerk's address and the subject line, he opened and read the email, believing it was official township business within his designated responsibilities.

He added that within a few hours of receipt of Price's email, the clerk's staff began to receive FOIA requests from Parelly asking for employee payroll records.

The actions by the recently defeated officials riled Vova and other board members who criticized them at a recent public meeting, calling the tactics "childish antics."

"I question Mr. Parelly's motives. He's not doing this in the spirit and intent of the FOIA, which is to aid in the understanding of government. His continued requests are aimed at seeking employee payroll information on township employees," Vorva said.

Trustee Bob Doroshewitz in a social media post said he found the actions of the defeated board members strange and puzzling.

"What I find puzzling is that many of these documents (listed on the email) don't exist…they know they don't

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Belleville - Canton

Like A Girl

Canton program wins state award

Canton Leisure Services' popular Lead #LikeAGirl program for area young women was honored with an Innovative Recreation Programming Award earlier this month at the mParks Michigan Recreation and Park Association annual Conference and Trade Show in Grand Rapids.

Canton Leisure Services unveiled the innovative program directed at young, at-risk women in the fall of 2015 at The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center. This new program entitled, Lead #LikeAGirl, was inspired by a 2015 Super Bowl ad that challenged the nation to rethink an age-old adage about what it means to do something "like a girl."

What was once considered an insult, like a girl has become an epic social battle to redefine those words for generations of women who struggle with challenges related to sexism, bias, and self-confidence each day. The B.L.O.C.K Youth and Teen Center remains committed to being a part of this movement. This popular program, which serves a diverse group of young women between the ages of 11-15, is designed to change the way that these participants, and the community-at-large, thinks about what it means to lead like a girl and ultimately live like a girl.

"It's an honor to receive this recognition from mParks, but the real reward has been the amazing experience of getting to work with such a bright and talented group of girls," said Program Coordinator Laura Mortier. "This program has allowed them to challenge themselves, discuss relevant issues that young girls face with their peers, and foster relationships with female role models in the community."

The program was acknowledged for meeting program objectives of informing, interacting and inspiring young women at monthly themed-workshops during the 2015-2016 pilot year. Leisure Services staff worked to create an interactive and empowering Leadership Development curriculum for local young women that included collaborations with Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, the Canton Public Library, Canton Public Safety, Michigan State Representative Kristy Pagan, and many more.

A group of 15 women were selected during the pilot program year and completed the nine-month commitment and graduated from the program in June 2016 in front of family and friends celebrating their new understanding of what it really means to lead like a girl.

The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center, located on the third floor of the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, provides a teen-friendly environment where students from ages 11-17 can participant in supervised after-school programs, social events, and activities. For more information about Lead #LikeAGirl or The B.L.O.C.K. Youth and Teen Center, visit www.cantonfun.org or call (734) 398-5570.

Lead #LikeAGirl participants show off the mParks Award for Innovative Recreation Programming.

Township Fire Chief resigns

After 23 years with the Van Buren Township Fire Department, Chief Daniel Besson has announced his resignation.

He will become the fire chief of Leland Township in Leelanau County, replacing retiring Chief Rick Royston.

Besson has been the chief of the Van Buren Township department for 4 ½ years. His resignation is effective at the end of February. Besson told officials that he and his wife, Jennifer, have a cabin in the area of his new job and that she has been employed in Grayling since December.

Besson is a life-long resident of Belleville and began his career with the Belleville Fire Department in 1992.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed proposals at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, March 23, 2017 for the following:

LEGAL SERVICES - TAX TRIBUNAL DEFENSE

Proposals may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of proposal opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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NOTICE TO PUBLIC
BOARD OF REVIEW APPOINTMENTS

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Michael A. Siegrist, Clerk of the Charter Township of Canton, County of Wayne, State of Michigan to all residents of the Charter Township of Canton the March Board of Review will be held in the Canton Township Hall on the first floor, at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

The following is the schedule for March Board of Review:

Tuesday, March 7th 2017 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Organizational Meeting

Monday, March 13th 2017 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Tuesday, March 14th 2017 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Wednesday, March 15th 2017 1:00 pm - 9:00 pm

To schedule an appointment or If you have any questions regarding the March Board of Review, you may contact the Assessing office at (734) 394-5111.

Michael A. Siegrist
Charter Township of Canton CN1447 - 022317 2.5 x 2.625

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon notice to the Charter Township of Canton.

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"), the Charter Township of Canton will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The Charter Township of Canton does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title II of the ADA.

Effective Communication: The Charter Township of Canton will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the Charter Township of Canton's programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communications accessible to people who have speech, hearing, or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The Charter Township of Canton will make all reasonable modifications to policies and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcomed in the Charter Township of Canton's offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton should contact the office of Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260 as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the Charter Township of Canton to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden.

Complaints that a program, service, or activity of the Charter Township of Canton is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to Barb Brouillette, Human Resources Coordinator, Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188, (734) 394-5260.

The Charter Township of Canton will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are not accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

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Charter Township of Canton Board Proceedings – February 14, 2017

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton was held Tuesday, February 14, 2017 at 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. Supervisor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Roll Call** Members Present: Anthony, Foster, Graham-Hudak, Siegrist, Slavens, Williams Members Absent: Sneideman Staff Present: Director Hohenberger, Director Faas, Director Meier, Director Trumbull **Adoption of Agenda** Motion by Anthony, supported by Siegrist to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **Approval of Minutes** Motion by Foster, supported by Anthony to approve the Board Minutes of January 24, 2017 as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Slavens, supported by Anthony to approve the Board Minutes of January 31, 2017 as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Anthony, supported by Foster to approve the Board Minutes of February 7, 2017 as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **PUBLIC SAFETY PROMOTION RECOGNITIONS: R-1: Recognition of Canton Public Safety Promotions as follows: Police Sergeants: David Eyl and David Juras Fire Captain: James Harrison Police Lieutenants: James Harrison and Michael Kennedy Deputy Chief – Fire: Jamie Strassner Deputy Chief – Police: Craig Wilsher** Clerk Siegrist performed the Oath of Office for these promotions. Supervisor Williams presented the recipients with their new badges of rank. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Williams to enter the promotions into the public record. Motion carried by all members present. **Citizen's Non-Agenda Item Comments:** Jim Leddy, 6757 Brookshire, commented in support of a Township Program to facilitate Road Repairs using township funds to repair individual subdivision streets. Harold Kominars, 41900 South Drive, requested the board investigate the noise levels of the incineration facility at Lilley and Michigan Ave. Director Faas offered to have a conversation with the operators of the facility. Kathy Filas, 5765 Wedgewood, commented on Solid Waste Disposal and the company holding the contract with the township. Ms. Filas also questioned when meeting minutes are available. Clerk Siegrist explained they are posted the morning after approval at a regular meeting. Walt Filas, 5765 Wedgewood, commented on the company contracted by Canton to do the Solid Waste Disposal and Recycling for Canton Township. **Payment of Bills** Motion by Slavens, supported by Anthony to approve payment of the bills as presented. Motion carried by all members present. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Item C-1. Reappointments to the Tax Board of Review. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony that the Canton Board of Trustees approve the reappointments of Carol Richardson and Anthony Rosati to the Canton Tax Board of Review for a two-year term to expire on March 1, 2019. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-2. Appointments to the Tax Board of Review. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony that the Canton Board of Trustees approve the appointments of Charles Ten Broeck, Lisa Manwell, and Lois Beerbaum to the Canton Tax Board of Review for two-year terms to expire on March 1, 2019. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-3. Reappointments to the Building Board of Appeals. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to re-appoint Greg Trombley and Joseph Philips to the Building Board of Appeals for two (2) year term to expire March 31, 2019. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-4. Appointments to the Building Board of Appeals. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to appoint Gianfranco Palazzolo, Harpreet Singh Sachdeva and Michael Schultz to the Building year term to expire February14, 2019. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-5. Reappointments to the Downtown Development Authority Board. (Supv.)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony that the Canton Township Board of Trustees reappoint Janet Volante to serve on the Board of Directors of the Downtown Development Authority of the Charter Township of Canton for a four-year term ending February 14, 2021. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-6. Consideration of a Motion to Rescind Previous Appointments to the Election Commission, and Further Appoint Two Members in Compliance with the Charter Township Act. (Clerk)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to rescind the appointments of Supervisor - Pat Williams and Treasurer - Dian Slavens, to the Election Commission for Canton Township with terms expiring November 20, 2020. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to appointment Trustee Anthony and Trustee Sneideman to the Election Commission for Canton Township with terms expiring November 20, 2020. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-7. Consider Approval of an Application for MLCC Special Liquor Licenses. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to approve the agreement and authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at The Celtic Celebration on Saturday, June 10, 2017; and furthermore, I move that the following resolution be adopted: That the Canton Soccer Club, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on Saturday, June 10, 2017 at Independence Park located on Denton Road in Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at the 26th Annual Liberty Festival on June 15-17, 2017, and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted: That the Canton Rotary, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on June 15-17, 2017 during Liberty Festival at Heritage Park located at 1010 Canton Center Rd, Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at The Rally on Ridge event on Tuesday, July 25, 2017; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted: That the Charter Township of Canton, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at Preservation Park located at 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne and that the Township Supervisor and Clerk be authorized to sign and submit this application. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to authorize the sale and consumption of alcohol at The Canton Historical Society's "Brew, Brats & Bands at the Barn" fundraiser on Saturday, September 9, 2017; and furthermore; I move that the following resolution be adopted: That the Charter Township of Canton, through its duly elected officers, make application to the MLCC for a Special License for the sale of alcohol for consumption on the premises to be in effect on Saturday, September 9, 2017 at the Cady-Boyer Barn in Preservation Park located at 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton, Michigan, County of Wayne and that the Township Supervisor and Clerk be authorized to sign and submit this application. Motion carried by all members present. **Item C-8. Consider a Resolution approving Application for an Autistic Chile Area Caution Sign. (PSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to authorize the Township Clerk to sign the Wayne County permit application. I further move the following resolution be adopted. Motion carried by all members present. **RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON WHEREAS,** Canton resident, Tommie Lee Taylor, has requested caution "Autistic Child Area" sign to be installed on both sides of the street near his residence located at 648 Merrimac, lot #142 Brookside Village Subdivision No. 1; Canton Township Michigan; and, **WHEREAS,** the Canton Public Safety Department has reviewed this application and recommends approval of Mr. Taylor's request; and, **WHEREAS,** the Charter Township of Canton accepts full responsibility for the purchasing, installing, and maintaining of the signs to be installed at the specific locations permitted by Wayne County, to provide for the safety and welfare of our residents and, **WHEREAS,** the funds for the purchase of the signs will be expensed from the 2017 Police - Miscellaneous Account #207-301-50.956; and, **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan does hereby APPROVE the request of Canton resident, Tommie Lee Taylor to install caution "Autistic Child Area" signs near his residence. The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton, Michigan further authorizes the Township Clerk to sign the Wayne County permit application. **GENERAL CALENDAR: Item G-1. Consider First Reading of an Amendment to Appendix A – Zoning of the Code of Ordinances for the Guzzo-Bruni Rezoning. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to introduce and hold the first reading of the proposed amendment to the zoning map found in Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances for the Guzzo-Bruni Rezoning as provided in the attached ordinance and map. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to table consideration of the amendment to the zoning map found in Appendix A of the Code of Ordinances for the Guzzo-Bruni Rezoning as provided in the attached ordinance and map and hold a second reading on February 28, 2017. Motion carried by all members present. A copy of the complete text of this Proposed Ordinance Amendment is available at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI., 48188, during regular business hours. The approved text of the Amendment will be published in the Canton Eagle/Associated Newspaper within the meeting minute's synopsis of the date of approval. A complete copy of the Ordinances for Canton Township is available at www.canton-mi.org. **Item G-2. Consider Award of a Contract for Professional Design and Engineering Services to Northwest Consultants, Inc. for Improvements at Independence Park – Parking Lot, Sidewalk Gaps and Trail Connections. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to award a contract and purchase order for engineering consulting services for the Independence Park Project to Northwest Consultants, Inc. in an amount of $31,570 plus a 10% contingency of $3,157 for a not-to-exceed amount of $34,727. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-3. Consider Award of a Contract to Rotondo Construction Inc. for the 2017 Repair and Gap Program. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to award a contract for the 2017 Sidewalk Repair Program in the amount of $520,000 to Rotondo Construction Inc. and further authorize the Township to extend the contract with Rotondo Construction I c. into the 2018 and 2019 program years based on satisfactory performance and stable prices. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to award a contract for engineering consulting services for the Sidewalk Gap construction staking and inspection services to Northwest Consultants, Inc. in an amount of $10,000. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to award a contract for Township facility repairs in the amount of $24,200 to Rotondo Construction Inc. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-4. Consider Approval of Budget Amendment for Funds Received from the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan – Healthy Food Connection Grant. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster I move to approve a budget amendment to increase the following accounts for a total increase in revenue of $21,000 and increase expense account $21,000, per contributions from the Foundation for Southeast Michigan – Healthy Food Connect grant: Increase Revenues: 101-691-49.539 – State Grants $21.000. Increase Expenses: 101-691-49.705_0015 - Part-time Wages 3,800; 101-691-49.742 - Program Supplies $8,200; 101-391-49.801_0050 – Professional & contract Services $9,000. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-5. Consider Approval of an Inter-Governmental Agreement Between Wayne County and Canton Township for Improvements to Victory Park. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to authorize the Supervisor to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement between Wayne County and Canton Township for Improvements to Victory Park and to authorize the Finance Department to make necessary budget adjustments to record the Wayne County contribution and the related expenditures. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-6. Consider Authorization of Lease Agreement for Golf Cars for Fellows Creek Golf Club. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to authorize the Supervisor to sign the lease agreement for 115 golf cars for Fellows Creek Golf Club with Golf Cars Plus, 607 North Main Street, Plainwell, Michigan 49080, in the amount of $80,046.96/per year from 2017 through 2021 to be paid from Account #584-697-77.945 (Lease Payments). Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to authorize the following 2017 budget amendment: Increase Revenue: 584-697-78.673 – Sale of Fixed Assets $168.297; Increase Expense: 584-697-78.495 – Lease Payments $80,047; Increase Expense: 584-756-50.990 Transfer to Fund Balance $88,250. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-7. Consider Bid Award for the Purchase and Installation of Primary Switchgear at the Canton Administration Complex. (CLS)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Foster to award the Primary Switchgear Replacement at the Canton Administration Complex to Rauhorn Electric Inc., 17171 23 Mile Road, Maco 42 in the amount of $184,932 to be paid out of the Community Improvement Fund. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the following budget amendment: Increase Revenue: 246-000-695 Fund Balance Appropriation $184,932 Increase Expenditures: 246-750-970_0050 Capital Outlay Infrastructure $184,932 Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-8. Consider First Reading of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 46, Article VI, Division 2, Entitled "Controlled Substances" by Adding a New Section 46-387. (MSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to introduce and hold the first reading of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 46, Article VI, Division 2, Entitled "Controlled Substances" by Adding a New Section 46-387. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Anthony to table consideration of an Ordinance to Amend Chapter 46, Article VI, Division 2, Entitled "Controlled Substances" by Adding a New Section 46-387and hold a second reading on February 28, 2017. Motion carried by all members present. A copy of the complete text of this Proposed Ordinance Amendment is available at the Clerk's Office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI., 48188, during regular business hours. The approved text of the Amendment will be published in the Canton Eagle/Associated Newspaper within the meeting minute's synopsis of the date of approval. A complete copy of the Ordinances for Canton Township is available at www.canton-mi.org. **Item G-9. Consider a Renewal of Dedicated Internet Data IT Service. (PSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve Canton entering into a five-year contract of Internet Data T1 service for the Police Department's connection to the 35th District Court's Video Arraignment System from 123.Net, Inc., in the amount of $299 per month, utilizing funds budgeted in the 2017 Police Contracted Services Account. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-10. Consider Approving the Purchase of Three Fire Apparatus Vehicles. (PSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens approve the purchase of one (1) Heavy Rescue vehicle and two (2) Engine Pumper vehicles from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc., in Appleton, Wisconsin. Motion carried by all members present. Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the listed budget amendments to the 2017 Fire budget utilizing Fire Fund Balance for the second Engine Pumper and for purchasing the vehicles in lieu of financing. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-11. Consider Approving the Purchase of (10) Taser X26P Units. (PSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to waive the bidding process due to Taser International Inc., being a sole provider of Taser products, and approve the purchase of (10) X26P Taser units with accessories from Taser International Inc., in the amount of $14,560.21, utilizing 2017 budgeted drug forfeiture funds. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-12. Consider the Purchase of (25) Body Cameras. (PSD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to waive the bidding process and approve the 2017 purchase of 25 BodyVISION XV camera systems in the amount of $15,578.75, from L-3 Mobile Vision, Inc., a state contract vendor, and the department's current vendor for the in-car camera system and server. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-13. Approve IT Services – Email Archive Service Renewal. (FBD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Slavens to approve the renewal of supplemental email archiving licensing within the Township's Office 365 email installation in an amount not to exceed $15,600. Motion carried by all members present. **Item G-14. Approve IT Services – Virtual Servers Expansion. (FBD)** Motion by Siegrist, supported by Graham-Hudak to approve the purchase of Dell server hardware to expand the Township's current VMware Virtual Computing environment. A purchase order to Dell Computers will be created with a total not to exceed $17,445. Motion carried by all members present. **ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT:** George Miller, 1946 Briarfield, question "tip fees" and royalties associated with the disposal facility in Canton. He also questioned the time limitation on comment at a public meeting. (Usually 3 minutes). **OTHER:** None **ADJOURN:** Motion by Anthony, supported by Siegrist to adjourn at 8:31 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. **Michael A. Siegrist, Canton Township Clerk**

—Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, 734-394-5120, during regular business hours or be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval.— CN1449 - 022317 2.5 x 17.488

INKSTER - WAYNE - WESTLAND

'Buddy Up' healthy living program set to begin

Westland wants to help area residents 'buddy up' to better health and fitness.

The city will begin the fifth year of the 8-week "Buddy Up" program at 7 p.m. March 3 in the banquet room at city hall where Buddy Shuh, a former contestant on NBC's The Biggest Loser, will speak about the program.

"The heart and soul of the program is Buddy Shuh," noted Westland Mayor William Wild. "Westland is very fortunate to benefit from his experience and knowledge on this very important subject."

That subject is obesity, according to a prepared statement from Wild's office, which notes that 35 percent or 78 million Americans are considered obese. Research has shown that "buddying up" can be the difference between failure and success with any weight loss plan, the statement continued.

Shuh, a Wayne resident, was a contestant on the nationally-televised show. He left the popular program two weeks before the finale, but he said the lessons he learned there have stayed with him. It is those lessons, he said, that he hopes to share with the Buddy Up program which he launched in Westland in 2013. He estimates that more than 800 people have started the program since that time.

The Buddy Up program has been the cornerstone of Wild's Healthy Passport program in the city. In announcing the program, which he called "wildly popular," the mayor said, "Not only does it provide a fun way to maintain an active lifestyle throughout the winter, but it does so through an individual who truly knows first-hand how living a healthy lifestyle can change one's life."

Shuh stressed that the program doesn't require participants to exercise six hours a day and lose 2 pounds every 24 hours like the TV show did.

"A more reasonable weight loss is 2 pounds a week," he said.

Following the March 3 meeting, participants will meet at 9 a.m. every Saturday for eight weeks and will receive guidance and encouragement by their team captains. The meetings will include 30 minutes of exercise and 30 minutes of nutritional education including ways to make simple yet meaningful choices for a sustainable, healthier lifestyle. Various types of exercises, from Zumba to Yoga, will be introduced to participants by trained fitness professionals.

The program will include the six-week triathlon where participants bike, run and swim. This year, participants will be offered an optional weight loss challenge with prizes for the three individuals who lose the most weight.

Registration is limited to the first 250 paid registrants and is available at www.cityofwestland.com. The fee is $30 which includes a tee shirt and an informational binder. This year, participants can compete for the top weight loss prize for an extra $10. Doors will open at city hall at 6 p.m. March 3 and the program will begin at 7 p.m.

Buddy Shuh

Shooting suspect sought by police

Inkster police have arrested one man and are seeking another suspect in a double shooting that took place Feb. 11 at a local party story.

The shooting apparently took place in the parking lot of the party store, on Middlebelt Road, south of Michigan Avenue. According to police reports, one man was shot in the stomach and another shot in the chest. Emergency medical personnel rushed both to a local hospital where one of the men was pronounced dead.

Police arrested one suspect almost immediately but continue to seek a second individual who is described as driving a white Nissan and wearing an orange hat and green jacket.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to call the Inkster Police Department at (313) 563-9850.

Senior Alliance names new director

Tamera Kiger has been named as the new executive director of The Senior Alliance. Kiger assumed responsibilities of the agency, which serves more than 190,000 older adults and their caregivers, on Jan. 30.

Kiger brings more than 25 years of experience and leadership working to improve the health care delivery systems for individuals with needs. As a pioneer in the 1980s for Community-based living facilities in Michigan, she was on the forefront of developing solutions at a time when the closure of state hospitals and institutions risked displacing at-risk populations, according to a prepared statement from the agency. Recently, she led the implementation of an integrated care delivery model for dually eligible individuals with Medicare and Medicaid.

"Changes in how we age, enjoy retirement and access health care are leading to unique opportunities for innovation. I am excited to be a part of the team at The Senior Alliance and look forward to working to improving the lives of older adults and those living with a disability in western Wayne County and the downriver area," said Kiger.

The Senior Alliance, AAA1-C is a private non-profit agency that was established in 1980, and designated by the Michigan Commission on Services to the Aging to operate as the Area Agency on Aging (AAA) for the 34 suburban communities of Southern and Western Wayne County. The agency offers programs such as Meals on Wheels, the Nursing Facility Transition Program, the MI-Choice Medicaid Waiver Program, Medicare and Medicaid Assistance Program, and an Information and Referral call center, as well as many other community-based services, the statement continued.

Older adults and their caregivers with questions about these services, aging or other inquiries can call (734) 722-2830 or visit www.aaa1C.org for more information.

Kiger succeeds Bob Brown, who was the director of the alliance for more than 12 years.

Tamera Kiger

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 2017

The Charter Township of Plymouth Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing on the proposed Township budget for fiscal year 2017 on Thursday, March 2, 2017 at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall Meeting Room, Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 North Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the above address in the Clerk's Office week days from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.

"The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing."

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, March 9, 2017 for the following:

BUS TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at www.canton-mi.org, or you may contact Mike Sheppard at: 734/394-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

MICHAEL SIEGRIST, CLERK

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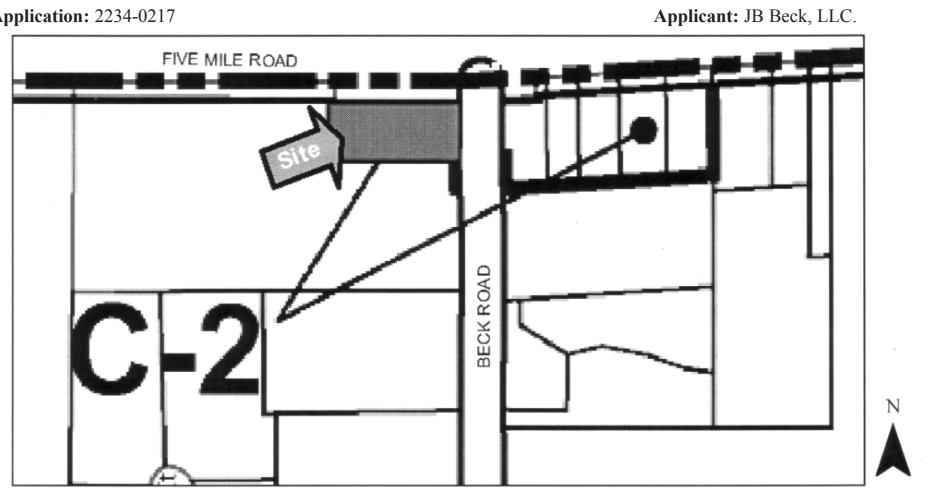
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED ACTION: Request Approval of a Planned Unit Development (PUD) Option
DATE OF HEARING: Wednesday, March 15, 2017
TIME OF HEARING: 7:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Plymouth has received an application requesting PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPTION OPTION APPROVAL for shopping plazas with drive-through facilities on Tax ID No. R-78-005-99-0001-001, pursuant to Zoning Ordinance No. 99.The property is located south of Five Mile Road, west of Beck Road, and north of Clipper Street. The existing address is 15275 Beck Road. The site is zoned C-2, General Commercial.

Application: 2234-0217 **Applicant:** JB Beck, LLC.



LEGAL DESCRIPTION: For parcel/lot descriptions, see tax records based on Tax ID No. R-78-005-99-0001-001.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that persons interested are requested to be present. Pertinent information relative to the application may be examined at the Plymouth Township Division of Public Services, Community Development Department; during regular business hours from 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. Written comments will be received prior to the meeting and may be mailed to 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170, or call 734-354-3270, ext. 5.The meeting will be held in the Town Hall Meeting Room at Township Hall, located at 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Charter Township of Plymouth will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at all Township meetings, to individuals with disabilities at the meetings/hearings, upon one week notice to the Charter Township of Plymouth by writing or calling the Supervisor's Office, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170. Phone: 734-354-3201.TDD users: 800-849-3777 (Michigan Relay Service).

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KENDRA BARBERENA, SECRETARY
PLANNING COMMISSION

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH
NOTICE OF HEARING
ASSESSMENT BOARD OF REVIEW

NOTICE OF HEARING given that the Plymouth Township Board of Review will meet on the following dates and times:

Hearings are by appointment only, please call 354-3269, between 8 am and 4:30 pm to arrange for an appointment.

MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW:

Tuesday, March 7, 2017	**9 am**	**Organizational Meeting**
Monday, March 13, 2017	**2 pm - 5 pm**	**Hearings by Appointment**
	6 pm - 9 pm	**Hearings by Appointment**
Wednesday, March 15, 2017	**9 am - Noon**	**Hearings by Appointment**
	2 pm - 5 pm	**Hearings by Appointment**
Saturday, March 18, 2017	**9 am - 11 am**	**First Come - First Served**

Other Hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed.

All persons protesting their assessment must complete petitions prior to appearing before the Board of Review. A personal appearance is not required. Written protests to the Board of Review must be received by mail or delivered in person to the Assessing Office by the close of business on Friday, March 24, 2017 at 4:30 pm.

The Board of Review will be held in the Board Meeting Room of Plymouth Township Hall, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48170.

Please come prepared as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board of Review will be strictly adhered to.

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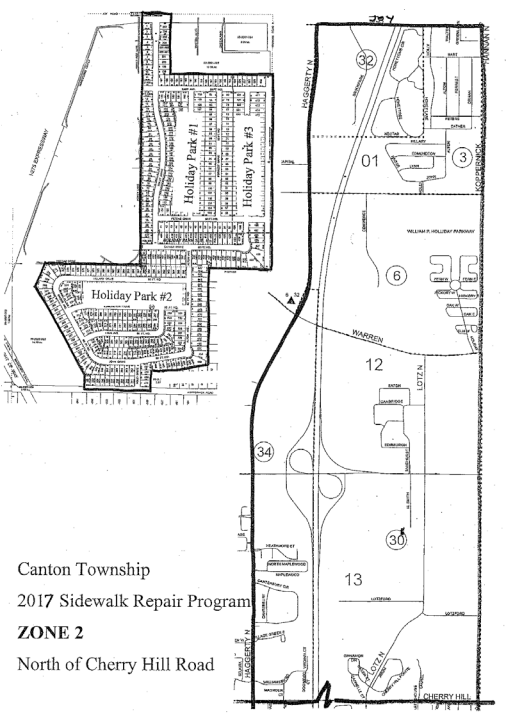
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

2017 SIDEWALK REPAIR PROGRAM
HEARING OF NECESSITY FOR SIDEWALK REPLACEMENTS
FOR THE FOLLOWING SUBDIVISIONS:

Holiday Park #1
Holiday Park #2
Holiday Park #3
Also
Miscellaneous Locations and Metro Act Locations throughout Canton Township
ALL subdivisions are located in ZONE TWO, North of Cherry Hill Road
SEE MAP

PERIMETER OF ZONE TWO: South side of Joy Road, East side of Haggerty Road, North side of Van Born Road and the West side of Hannan Road.



Zone Two includes all commercial and residential parcels that are located along a public road right-of-way.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Public Act 80 of the Public Acts of 1989 of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the findings of necessity; assessment against owners of property; hearing; exceptions; notice of the Charter Township of Canton that the Board of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 at the Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room for the proposed sidewalk replacements.

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Larger Map Available in the Clerk's Office

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Antics

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exist…they know they don't exist because they didn't create them back when it was their job to do so…"

Official records show just days before he sent the instructional email, Price registered with the State of Michigan as a Lobbyist Agent employed by M and B Consulting, LLC, 9613 Tennison, a Plymouth Township Limited Liability Corp. located at the same address of record as Price's residence. According to the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, the firm was dissolved in 2015.

"It's an intentional waste of our time, and a certain waste of taxpayers' money," Vorva said. "It's just silly."

One request reads, "…copies of all correspondence, documents, emails, budget items, contracts and their time cards in regard to the hiring and ongoing employment of the following employees, Sandy Groth, Susan Brams and Amy Hammye."

Groth is the new deputy clerk and Brams is Supervisor Kurt Heise's secretary. Hammye is the incumbent deputy treasurer appointed by former Treasurer Ron Edwards. Conzelman is said to have overtly objected to the salary amount offered to Vorva's deputy. Conzelman's deputy clerk was not reappointed after the election. Brams and Groth were both new hires.

According to a TV news report last week, Conzelman filed a complaint with the state Attorney General and then contacted the news station over a purported technical error she alleges occurred when the new township board adopted the 2017 budget, one prepared by Edwards and the previous board of trustees. Conzelman claimed the new board failed to have a formal public hearing on the budget, a state requirement.

Conzelman defended her actions in an online post saying she asked for payroll information to clarify the claim of Groth that she was not paid "an illegal amount of money."

"I, like every citizen, have every right to FOIA any township information I want," she posted.

Conzelman and Edwards were captured on surveillance video in township hall shredding documents and removing bags of items for nearly 24 hours on their last day in office. Vorva and other new officials, including Heise and Treasurer Mark Clinton, confirmed that they were greeted with empty file folders and missing financial and other necessary records during their first weeks in office.

"This why Americans are disgusted by politics...the campaign is over, it's time to move on," Heise said. Vorva told the audience at the recent trustees' meeting that he had taken action and met with the police chief on the matter.

"To conspire amongst themselves…is not right." Vorva said.

Audit of golf course OK'd

Members of the Plymouth Township Board of Trustees have agreed to a forensic financial audit of the losses at Hilltop Golf Course. A representative from Plante-Moran attended the regular meeting of the trustees last week to answer questions about the procedures involved in performing a detailed financial audit at the township-owned facility.

The golf course has been operating at a loss for several years and township officials discussed the need for a complete audit of the finances and operations during a study session two weeks ago. After hearing a report from Treasurer Mark Clinton which noted that the 18-hole course operated at a loss of $108,000 last year, trustees agreed that such an audit was necessary.

Supervisor Kurt Heise, who promised such an audit during his campaign for office, said that the township was "wasting a lot of money" and that "solid financial numbers" were necessary to determine the future of the golf course.

Currently, the golf course on Powell Road east of Beck near Plymouth Township Park, is managed by Billy Casper Golf. Under that management since 2011, the golf course has not shown a profit during the past six years. The audit for last year is expected to cost less than $5,000, according to Plante Moran partner Martin Olejnik.

Trustee John "Jack" Dempsey told the board members he would favor a motion for a formal audit be made before the board members for a vote. Heise agreed but noted that the estimated amount was under the limit required for board approval.

The contract with Billy Casper has another two years until expiration and pays the management company 11 percent of the annual gross revenue at Hilltop, between $1 and $600,000, with 1 percent increases as gross revenue increases to a maximum of 15 percent if revenue is $800,001 or more. The company was paid approximately $87,000 in 2015 while on a different compensation plan. Revenue that year was reported at $709,000 in the township audit.

Last Tuesday, board members asked the Plante Moran representative if the problem financial areas were "poor accounting practices or fraudulent activity." Heise read a list of charges only recently submitted by Billy Casper, Inc. The invoice, dated Aug. 5, 2016, was for expenses incurred at the "July 4 VIP Party" hosted by former Treasurer Ron Edwards and included: beer, $296, Northern Haserot Tenderloin Steaks, $1,614; salmon, $1,149; entertainment, $400 and the chef, $500.

"This is the type of shenanigans we're faced with," Heise said. "How long has this been going on? Every day we find stuff like this."

Fireworks

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township stationery by the township staff, on township time, placed businesses and vendors in an uncomfortable situation. He had previously remarked that the tactic was damaging to the reputation and image of the community.

Heise added that the optics of the "elites" adorned with flower leis dining on prime rib while the "commoners" sat on the hill to watch the show "hurts our image as a welcoming and inclusive community."

The $41,500 spent last year with a fireworks contractor was raised entirely by solicitation of township businesses. Heise cited charges from a $4,721.61 invoice recently submitted by golf course contractor, Billy Casper, Inc.

The invoice, dated just after the August Primary election, was for the July 4 VIP party and included charges for keg beer, $296, Northern Haserot Tenderloin Steaks, $1,614; Salmon, $1,149; entertainment, $400 and the chef, $500, among other expenditures.

Rita Gajewski whose home backs to the township park told the officials she's "had enough of the problems" the event causes including trash, illegal parking, people coming into her yard and fireworks landing on her home and grass. She claimed that last year, the eighth year her family has lived in the home, was the worst.

"We had to turn on our sprinkler system because of the fireworks landing on our (dry) grass. People parked everywhere, it was awful," she said.

Police Chief Tom Tiderington commented that every year the fireworks display has grown and has become increasingly more difficult to manage safely.

"It's too large for a residential neighborhood. I'm not for having fireworks at that location. It's not safe. Kids are running back and forth across Ann Arbor Trail. This is something I can't support," Tiderington told the trustees.

Fire Chief Dan Phillips concurred with Tiderington and said the problem fire department personnel have in an emergency is the number of parked cars and access.

"In past years we spent thousands to water the grass in the golf course just prior to the event to keep it wet," he said.

Heise said he would take the issue before the board for a vote if a sponsor should come forward to fund the event.

"If we are to continue the fireworks, we need a sponsor and I've talked to some of our businesses, We need a line item 501(c)3, for example Plymouth Community Fireworks fund, but so far no one is interested. They could put their name on it. We'll keep the door open," he said.

Trustee Chuck Curmi said he did not favor continuing the fireworks. He said he was aware the City of Plymouth has a DDA (Downtown Development Authority) to support entertainment costs, which is helpful to the downtown.

"It's not our job to entertain people," Curmi said.

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55. Estate Sales
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57. Antiques
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59. Auctions
60. Moving Sales
61. Misc. Items
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63. Business and OfficeEquipment
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65. Tree Service
66. Landscape / Nurseries
67. Garden Plant / Supplies
68. Garden / Produce
70. Masonry / Brickwork
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73. Musical Merchandise
74. Sporting Goods
75. Boats / Accessories
76. Remodeling & Renovations
77. Recreation Vehicles
78. Hunting / Fishing
82. Wanted to Buy
87. Room for Rent
88. Duplexes for Rent
89. Apartments for Rent
90. Condos/Townhouses for Rent
92. Business Places for Rent
93. Banquet Halls
94. Farm Land for Rent
95. Real Estate
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118. Freebies
119. Auto Repairs
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1. Obituaries

Emily Adams

Emily Adams died Feb. 18, 2017. She was born Feb. 18, 1929.

Funeral services for Mrs. Adams will take place at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, 2017 at Middlebelt Baptist Church, 943 Middlebelt Road in Inkster, MI.

32. Help Wanted Drivers

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59. Auctions

VEHICLE PUBLIC AUCTION THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES HAVE BEEN DEEMED ABANDONED AND WILL BE SOLD AT PUBLIC AUCTION, MAR. 1, 2017 11:00 AM AT J&M TOWING 8964 INKSTER RD ROMULUS, MI 48174

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CITY OF WESTLAND
2017 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW

The City of Westland Board of Review will be conducting the 2017 March Board of Review and will convene in the City Council Chambers at 36300 Warren Road, Westland, Michigan 48185.

The regular Board of Review schedule is as follows:

ORGANIZATIONTAL MEETING: Tuesday, March 7, 2017, 9:30 a.m.

APPEAL HEARINGS BY APPOINTMENTS ONLY
Monday, March 13, 2017 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Tuesday, March 14, 2017 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday, March 15, 2017 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MAIL-IN APPEALS REVIEW ONLY
Thursday, March 16, 2017 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Other hearing dates and times may be scheduled as needed. Hearings are by appointment only. COMPLETED 2017 BOARD OF REVIEW PETITIONS ARE NECESSARY, and must be submitted to the Assessor's Office, prior to your appointment. The deadline for submitting petitions for all persons wishing to appeal in person before the Board of Review is Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

A resident or non-resident taxpayer may file a petition with the Board of Review without the requirement of a personal appearance by the taxpayer or a representative. An agent must have written authority to represent the owner and it must be submitted to the Board of Review on the form prescribed by the assessor's office. Written petitions must be received by Wednesday, March 15, 2017 to be reviewed by the Board. Postmarks are not accepted.

Copies of the notices stating the dates and times of the meetings will be posted and published in the local newspaper.

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Assessor's Office at (734) 467-3160.

Richard LeBlanc, CMC
City Clerk

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NORTHVILLE - ROMULUS

Library wins state Quality Services award

The Library of Michigan has awarded the Romulus Public Library a certificate of completion for meeting the Essential Level requirements of the Quality Services Audit Checklist (QSAC).

To earn certification, the library demonstrated competence in seven categories of achievement including human resources; governance/administration; services; collection development; technology; facilities and equipment and public relations/marketing.

"We are proud that the library has done such good work in providing services deemed 'essential' by the Library of Michigan," said Romulus Public Library Board President, Jim Napiorkowski. "By focusing efforts on these key areas, our library has shown a strong commitment to customer service and quality management."

QSAC has defined "essential services" - the basics of all library service - as relatively low-cost standards that every library can and should achieve to provide a minimum level of service to their community.

"The staff of the Romulus Public Library is to be commended for achieving a vital milestone in library service," said State Librarian Randy Riley.

"Some of the library's most recent accomplishments include new programs such as the Senior Book Club, Romulus Garden Club, Lego Club, and Anime Club, as well as the creation of a comprehensive Library Safety Plan and orientation manuals for members of the library board," said Library Director Patty Braden.

For more information about the Romulus Public Library, visit the website at www.romulus.lib.mi.us or www.facebook/romuluslibrary.

For more information about the Quality Services Audit Checklist (QSAC), visit the Library of Michigan QSAC webpage.

Landfill awarded permit to burn off methane gas

Some Northville Township residents may witness flames shooting more than 20 feet in the air from the nearby Arbor Hills Landfill, following approval of a state permit to burn off gas emissions at the site.

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality approved a permit allowing Advanced Disposal Systems, the landfill operator, to burn off gas on the north side of the landfill. State officials said that while the burn-off will be 42 feet high, area residents could see a 20-foot high flame. The burn off, or flame, is an effort to eventually decrease odors at the site. Odors from the landfill have been the subject of numerous complaints from area residents during the past several months and prompted a class action lawsuit against the company last April. Residents were seeking compensation for the odors and any negative impact of the noxious odors on property values in the lawsuit.

The flares will be used to burn off and control methane gas at the site, according to state officials, who added that some landfill odor would continue as the facility made further improvements to the flare control system. The state permit to burn off the methane is for a 12-month period.

State officials said the amount of methane trapped by the Arbor Hills capturing system has dropped since monitored in 2015. Landfills are required to capture 75 percent of gas produced on-site. Increased gas odors at Arbor Hills were attributed to a failure of the gas trapping mechanism. Residents have complained to township officials about the smell emanating from the landfill along with truck traffic in routes to and from the facility. State officials forced then-operator Republic Waste to repair the system to meet acceptable standards.

Advanced Disposal has been operating the gas collection system since January.

Hit-and-run driver sought

Romulus police continue to seek a hit and run driver who struck a pedestrian Feb. 10.

The incident took place on the shoulder of Middlebelt Road, south of Eureka, when a tan-colored Buick Renedzvous struck Jeffrey Allen Compau, Jr., 43, as he walked along the side of the road.

The driver fled the scene, according to police reports, leaving Compau in grave condition. Compau was walking home at about 7 p.m., according to police, when he was struck by the vehicle.

Police investigators suspect that the vehicle sustained damage to the passenger side mirror and passenger side headlight in the crash.

Romulus police are asking anyone who has any information about the incident to call (734) 941-8400.

CITY OF ROMULUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

RFP 16/17-13 Vining Road Development District
- Economic Development Strategic Plan

The City of Romulus, Michigan Economic Development Department is seeking proposals from qualified firms for the development of an economic development strategy containing goals, objectives, and implementation measures developed through research, analysis, trend forecasting and outreach for the Romulus Vining Road Development District.

(1) Qualified individuals and firms wishing to submit a proposal ***must use the forms provided by the City***. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained from the MITN system @ http://www.mitn.info/.
(2) Contractors must submit five copies of the proposal (one marked "ORIGINAL" and the remaining marked "COPY") and one electronic copy. All proposals copies must be submitted together in one sealed envelope and delivered to the ***City Clerk's Office*** no later than 2:30 P.M., Tuesday, **3/14/2017**. Proposals should be addressed using the proposal label provided.
(3) At approximately 2:45 p.m., local time all timely received proposals are to be publicly opened and read.
(5) The City reserves the right to postpone the opening without notification and also reserves the right to reject all bids and proposals and to waive irregularities.
(6) Proposals shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after the date for submitting bids/proposals.
(7) The successful Company will be required to submit proof of all insurance required by the RFP documents and all required endorsements.
(8) For additional information contact Lynn A, Conway, City of Romulus, Purchasing Director, by calling (734) 955-4568 or by emailing lconway@romulusgov.com .

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CITY OF ROMULUS
2017 BOARD OF REVIEW

To the taxpayers of the City of Romulus: The Board of Review will meet in the Romulus City Hall, Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on the following dates and times by **APPOINTMENT ONLY** for the purpose of reviewing the assessment roll. Please come prepared, as a ten (10) minute time limit before the Board will be strictly adhered to.

March 13, 2017:	9:00 am to 12:00 pm & 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm
March 14, 2017:	1:00 pm to 4:00 pm & 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
March 15, 2017:	9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Residents and Non-Residents may appeal by (1) making an appointment to appear before the Board **OR** (2) in writing (personal appearance is not required). The Board of Review MUST receive all written appeals/documentation no later than March 15, 2017 at 12:00 pm.

Property owners may appoint and authorize a representative to appear on their behalf. According to Ordinance, all Representatives or Agents MUST submit an original, notarized, current proof of authorization to act on behalf of the property owner as a prerequisite to appeal to the Board of Review.

To schedule an appointment to appeal to the March Board of Review, please call the City of Romulus Department of Assessment at 734. 942.7520.

For the purpose of addressing clerical errors, mutual mistakes of fact, poverty exemptions, veteran's exemptions, and principal residence exemptions, the Board of Review will meet in the Romulus City Hall, Council Office, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 on:

July 18, 2017:	9:30 am
December 12, 2017:	9:30 am

All Board of Review meetings are open meetings in compliance with the "Open Meetings Act".

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CITY OF ROMULUS
NOTICE OF Final Statement
FY 2017/18
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

Pursuant to federal guidelines, the Romulus City Council voted on Monday,, February 13, 2017 at 7:00 pm to adopt the following final projects for the fiscal year 2017/2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) Program. The CITY OF ROMULUS expects to receive an estimated $151,807 not including $5,000 in Program Income.

The primary objectives of the Federal HUD CDBG program are to assist low to moderate income families directly or to provide benefits in areas where 51% of the residents are low to moderate income, such as replacing the urban infrastructure of streets, improve recreational facilities and programs and assist in meeting special needs of the elderly and physically disabled.

The following projects have been adopted and will meet HUD objectives by benefiting low and moderate-income families, preserving deteriorating housing stock and enhancing parks and public facilities.

OBJECTIVES:

A. Benefitting Low and Moderate Income (LMI) Persons
B. Benefitting Low and Moderate Income Limited Clientele (LMC) Persons
C. Addressing Slums and Blight or Low and Moderate Income Housing Benefit
D. Meeting a particularly urgent community development need

FY 2017/2018 Proposed Projects

ACTIVITY	Amount:	* Objectives Met:
Senior Services/Public Services - LMC - 05A	$ 22,771	A & B
Romulus Fire Station - LMJ 35255 Goddard Rd	$93,855	C & D
Romulus DDA Building - Blight Rehab continued 36542 Goddard	$20,000	C & D
General Administration - 21A (10%)	$ 15,181	A
Sub-Total	$151,181	
Housing Rehabilitation LMH -from Program Income	$ 5,000	B & C
	$156,181	

For further information, contact the Economic Development Department, City of Romulus, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, (734) 942-7545.

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MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 6, 2017
Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem John Barden.
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call
Present: Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Harry Crout, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.
Excused: Linda Choate, Sylvia Makowski.
Administrative Officials in Attendance:
LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Stacy Paige, Treasurer
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

1. Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Abdo** to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-027 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on January 23, 2017. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Barden, Crout, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** – None. **Abstain** – Abdo. **Motion Carried**.

17-028 2B. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Romulus City Council, public hearing for CDBG Program F/Y 2017/18 held on January 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes** – Barden, Crout, Roscoe, Wadsworth. **Nays** – None. **Abstain** – Abdo. **Motion Carried.**

3. Petitioner: None.

4. Chairperson's Report:
Mayor Pro-Tem Barden read a list of waste-collection dates and locations coming up in Wayne County. Councilman Wadsworth announced "Dog Days" will be held on Feb. 25, 2017 at the Romulus Animal Shelter.

4A. Romulus Librarian, Patty Braden, presented a power point of the Romulus Public Library 2015-16 Annual Report. **No Council action required.**

4B. FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) – presentation by Romulus High School students. Two students from Romulus High School spoke about a paint party fundraiser for homeless veterans of Detroit. **No Council action required.**

17-029 4C. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Crout** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Mary Helen Madison. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-030 4D. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Roscoe** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Socrates McCraight.

17-031 4E. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Raymond James Crout. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

4. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Crout** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

5. Mayor's Report:
Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming City of Romulus events.

17-032 5A. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Wadsworth** to concur with the administration and extend Bid 14/15-31 to Suburban Calcium Chloride Sales, Inc. for the dust control of local streets and City parks as needed through the end of the 2018 dust control season in the amount of $0.26/gallon applied and not to exceed funds budgeted and available. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-033 5B. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo** to concur with the administration and extend RFP 15/16-08 and allow the mayor and clerk to enter into a contract with American Fireworks Company in the amount of $12,500 or greater pending sponsorship received for the 2017 Romulus Community Fireworks Display. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-034 5C. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to concur with the administration and Library Board and introduce Budget Amendment 16/17-21 for the purpose of replacing the library roof and repairing any existing damage.

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO.	ACCOUNT NAME	CURRENT BUDGET	AMENDMENT	AMENDED BUDGET
LIBRARY FUND				
Expenditures:				
271-790-970.000	Library - Capital Outlay	60,039.00	43,000.00	103,039.00
Fund Balance				
271-000-390.000	Library Fund Balance	129,797.00	(43,000.00)	86,797.00

For the purpose of replacing the library roof and repairing any existing damage. Approved by the Library Board at the special board meeting on 1-30-17. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6A. Clerk's Report:
City Clerk, Ellen Craig-Bragg, spoke about honoring veterans during Black History Month.

17-035 6A1. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Abdo** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 16/17-19, General Fund. This budget amendment was introduced at the Council meeting of January 23, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-036 6A2. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Roscoe** to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 16/17-20, Local Streets. This budget amendment was introduced at the Council meeting of January 23, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-037 6A3. Moved by **Abdo,** seconded by **Roscoe** to schedule a study session on Monday, Feb. 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss an ordinance regarding vacant and abandoned structures. The meeting will be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-038 6A4. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo** to schedule a study session on Monday, Feb. 13, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. to provide an update on an infrastructure project. The meeting will be held in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-039 6A5. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Crout** to approve PC 2015-020 Master Plan Update. (City Planning Consultant, Brad Strader and City Planner, Carol Maise gave a power point presentation of updates to the City Master Plan.) **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

17-040 6A6. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Wadsworth** to approve first reading of Zoning Ordinance Amendments 1.230, 1.231, 1.232, 1.233, and 1.234. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

6B. Treasurer's Report:
City Treasurer, Stacy Paige, presented information regarding how to avoid tax foreclosures. For information, call 1-313-224-5990; website: www.treasurer.waynecounty.com

7. Public Comment:
Jan Lemmon, Chairperson – Cemetery Board of Trustees, announced that the next meeting of the Cemetery Board of Trustees will be held on March 28, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers. Reverend Rita Talley and her daughter, Tina Talley, spoke about the 17th annual soul food dinner to be held on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at Romulus Senior High School.

8. Unfinished Business

9. New Business:

17-041 9A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout** to approve the No-Fee Permit, City-Wide Yard Sale dates of Thursday, May 18, through Sunday May 21, 2017 with rain dates of Thursday, June 1, 2017 through Sunday, June 4, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously**.

10. Communication:

11. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously**

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on February 6, 2017.

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Calendar of events

Scholarship deadline nears

Each year the Plymouth Rotary Club awards scholarships to students who reside in the Plymouth Canton school district. This year, Rotary will award two scholarships valued at $10,000 over a four-year period as well as a number of additional scholarships valued at approximately $8,000.

Applications are available in the high school counseling office or on line at www.plymouthrotary.org.

The deadline for applications is March 3.

Historic calendars for sale

The 2017 Belleville Area Historical Society calendar is now available and has been discounted to $5.

The calendars can be purchased at several tri-community locations including, Belleville Area Museum, Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, Belleville City Hall, Garden Fantasy on Main, Sumpter Ace Hardware, Sumpter Township, and the Van Buren Township Hall Treasurer's office.

The museum is located at 405 Main St. in Belleville.

For more information, contact Katie Dallos at (734) 697-1944.

Citizens Academy enrollment open

Canton residents who want to learn more about how their police department works will have that opportunity during the upcoming Citizens Police Academy in the township.

Individuals who attend the academy will have the opportunity to learn the policies and operational procedures of the department through presentations, demonstrations and hands-on activities

This year, the Citizens Police Academy will take place from 6-9 p.m. on Thursdays for eight weeks beginning April 6 and continuing through May 25.

Class size is limited for this free program. Applicants are limited to Canton Township residents who are at least 21 years of age. Applicants must have no felony convictions and no misdemeanor convictions in the past three years, Applicants will be subject to a background check.

Applications for the academy will accepting online at www.cantonpublicsafety.org, through Feb. 28 or in person at the front desk of the Canton Police Department located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

More information is available by contacting Special Services Sgt. Ed Johnson at (734) 394-5411.

Art exhibit continues

The Northville Art House is presenting the 11th Annual Member Exhibition, featuring original works in all mediums, including painting, drawing, photography, sculpture, jewelry, clay, and mixed media. The exhibition showcases the talents of more than 60 member artists of the Northville Art House as well as recognizes the people who support the growth and creativity of the arts in the community.

Applications are being accepted for memberships to be considered for future Northville Art House member exhibitions and events as well as other benefits. Applications are available online at www.northvillearthouse.org, by calling (248) 344-0497, or at the Northville Art House, 215 West Cady St., Northville, Michigan 48167. Memberships start at $30.

The exhibition continues through Saturday, March 25 during Art House hours, noon until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon until 4 p.m. Saturday. Admission is free.

Congregation meets Sunday

Redeemer Lutheran Church offers worship services at 11 a.m. Sunday at Tyler Elementary School, 42200 Tyler Road in Belleville.

For more information call (734)740-4230 or access www.redeemerlutheranchurch-mi.com.

Legislator hosts coffee hours

State Rep. Kristy Pagan (D-Canton) will host monthly coffee hours at 7 p.m. the fourth Monday of the month at Panera Bread, 41950 Ford Road in Canton Township.

Pagan has invited residents to join her to discuss their thoughts and ideas about how she can best represent and address the needs of her constituents.

Patriotic volunteers sought

Plymouth Township officials are seeking volunteers to lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the start of the regular meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at township hall.

Suggested qualifications include being an active duty or retired military serviceman or woman, a member of a service or Scouting organization, a retired first responder, memer of a student government organization or a patriotic citizen.

Interested residents should contact Sue Brams, executive assistant to the supervisor at sbrams@plymouthtwp.org; or call (734)354-3204.

Grief program under way

A grief-recovery seminar and support group will meet at Romulus Wesleyan Church in Romulus at 6 p.m. on Thursdays through May 18. The church is located at 37300 Goddard at Huron River Drive.

GriefShare features nationally recognized experts on grief and recovery topics. The 13 video sessions include "Effects of Grief," "When Your Spouse Dies," "Your Family and Grief," "Stuck in Grief," and more. Attend any or all sessions. A $15 registration fee will include a workbook/journal and weekly handouts.

More information is available by calling the church at (734) 941-1511 or on the web at www.griefshare.org. Pre-registration is not required.

Beloved Community event planned

Beloved Community members will host the Final Friday conversation 1 centered around the Ava DuVernay film 13th at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 24 at Geneva Presbyterian Church, 58345 North Sheldon Road in Canton.

Members are asked to bring a dish to pass.

The film is a documentary referring to the 13th Amendment to the Constitution, which reads "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States..." The progression from that second qualifying clause to the horrors of mass criminalization and the American prison industry is laid out by DuVernay.

Baked potatoes served

The Belleville Community Chorus invites everyone to enjoy their 4th annual Baked Potato Dinner from 4-7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at Open Arms Lutheran Church, 7865 Belleville Road.

For a minimum donation of $5, diners will enjoy a large baked potato with a choice of toppings, plus a beverage and dessert. Tickets may be obtained from any chorus member prior to the event or at the door. For more information, call (734) 697-1763 or (734) 740-4165 or go to www.bellevillechorus.com .

Try hockey for free

Boys and girls ages 4 to 9 can receive free hockey instruction from Gordon Bowman and Plymouth Canton Hockey Association coaches from 4-5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Plymouth Cultural Center Ice Arena.

The lessons are presented by the Detroit Red Wings Foundation and Michigan Amateur Hockey Association. No prior hockey experience is needed although participants must pre-register at http://www.maha.org/thff. Space is limited to 50 participants. Participants will be given a jersey to keep provided by The Detroit Red Wings Foundation.

A limited amount of equipment is available for use, but participants are urged to bring their own skates if possible.

The Cultural Center is located at 525 Farmer in Plymouth.

Winter market opens

The Canton Farmers Market will return with special Winter Markets during three Sundays in February, March and April at the Summit on the Park community recreation center. The Markets will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 26, March 19, and April 23, in the Banquet Lobby in the Summit on the Park, located on 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

More than a dozen vendors will be onsite at the Feb. 26 Winter Market offering a wide assortment of Michigan grown and made products, including: honey, jam, cider, apples, artisan cheese and bread, baked goods, farm eggs, seasonal produce grown in greenhouses and hoop houses (weather permitting) and more. A local chef will host a cooking demonstration from 10:30 a.m. - noon with tasty bites for market-goers to sample. Bridge Card and Double Up Food Bucks transactions will also be accepted.

Tokens can be purchased at the Canton Leisure Services table. Plenty of parking is typically available toward the rear of the Summit Parking lot. Enter through the banquet doors. For more information, call (734) 394-5375.

Fat Tuesday buffet served

Belleville Rotary Club members are organizing the annual club Fat Tuesday Italian Buffet to benefit youth and tri-community projects.

The dinner is open to the public and is planned for 4:30 until 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 28 at the Van Buren Eagles Hall, 9961 Beck Road in Van Buren Township. The hall is west of Belleville Road and South of Tyler Road.

Tickets for the buffet are $12 for adults and $6 for children 12 and younger and are available from any Rotary Club member or at the door. The evening will also include raffles and carry outs are available.

The menus will feature a variety of favorite pastas and sauces along with other Italian delights. Paczki and pop will be sold separately.

For more information, call (734) 699-8836.

Jazz at the Elks presented

Jazz @ The Elks happens from 7-9:30 p.m. the last Tuesday of the month There is a $10 donation at the door which includes hors d'oeuvres. Tuesday, Feb. 28 brings back the seasoned Latin band Nuevo Jazz Detroit with Duncan Jones on keyboard, Don Lewandowski on bass, Patrick Fitzgibbon on vibes, Chuck Golemba on drums, and Jeff LeDuff on congas.

The Plymouth Ann Arbor Elks Lodge 325 is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road in Plymouth.

For more information, call (734) 453-1780 or visit www.plyaa325.com or email jazzattheelks@gmail.com.

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